Council Agenda: September 9, 2014

Item No: 2.3(c)



MINUTES OF THE TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

MONDAY, AUGUST 11, 2014

The Transportation and Environment Committee of the City of San José convened in Regular Session at 1:33 p.m. in the Council Chambers, Council Wing, City Hall.

PRESENT: Council Member Sam Liccardo, Chair; Council Member Herrera, Vice

Chair, Council Member Xavier Campos and Council Member Donald

Rocha.

ABSENT: All Present.

STAFF: Deputy City Manager Alex Gurza, Senior Deputy City Attorney Glenn

Schwarzbach, Mayor's Senior Policy Advisor Jeff Janssen and Deputy

City Clerk Susan M. Davis.

CONSENT CALENDAR

(1) Stormwater Permit Annual Report.

<u>Documents Filed</u>: Memorandum from Director of Environmental Services Kerrie Romanow, dated July 16, 2014, recommending acceptance of the report and to cross reference to the full Council on August 26, 2014.

Action: Upon motion by Council Member Herrera, seconded by Council Member Rocha and carried unanimously, the Committee accepted the report and forwarded the item to the full Council for discussion and formal action on August 26, 2014. (4-0.)

REPORTS TO COMMITTEE

(1) Airport Ground Transportation Program.

<u>Documents Filed</u>: (1) Memorandum from Deputy City Manager Jennifer A. Maguire, dated August 4, 2014, transmitting the report of the Airport Ground Transportation Program. (2) Memorandum from Director of Aviation Services Kimberly Becker Aguirre, dated July 16, 2014, providing information about the Airport Ground Transportation Program.

REPORTS TO COMMITTEE

(1) (Cont'd.)

Director of Aviation Services Kimberly Becker Aguirre offered background information on the Airport Ground Transportation Program. Assistant Director of Aviation John Aiken and Airport Operations Manager Bob Swenson were present.

Council Member Liccardo opened the floor for public testimony.

<u>Public Comments</u>: The following speakers expressed ongoing opposition to the Staff recommendations citing that taxicab companies will be forced out of business, voiced their concerns about how work will be distributed to 700 competing drivers at the airport and other major concerns: Salan Buni, Kebede Kaba, Karan Deep, Kiflom Sebihatu, Kirpal Bajwa, San José Taxi Drivers Association; Rahul Malik, Preet Bandhawa, Tony Alexander, Taxi San José/UFCW Local 5; Bikram Jeet Singh, Alpha Cab/California Cab; Abdirahman Ateye, Shakur Buain, Dave Logan, Yellow Checker Rainbow Cab Company; Jatinder and Afeye.

Council Member Liccardo reiterated his continued opposition to this issue and the proposal as it stands before the Committee, pointing out that he has voted against this issue precisely for the reasons as expressed by the speakers.

Director of Aviation Kim Becker Aguirre and Assistant Director of Aviation John Aiken responded to Committee questions and concerns.

<u>Motion</u>: Council Member Rocha moved acceptance of the Staff report and to forward the item to the full Council for discussion and formal action. Council Member Campos seconded the motion.

Council Member Herrera requested to amend the motion to direct Staff to provide clarification via a supplemental memorandum as referenced below in "Action". Council Members Rocha and Campos accepted the amendment.

Action: On a call for the question, the motion carried, the Committee accepted the report and forwarded the item to the full Council for discussion and formal action on August 26, 2014. Staff was directed to circulate a supplemental memorandum before the Council Meeting explaining the methodology of the Request for Proposal (RFP), clarification of the certain number of cabs, the process the cab companies are required to go through, and that the RFP is based on the companies, which was the decision approved at the March 4, 2014 Council Meeting. (3-1. Noes: Liccardo.)

OPEN FORUM

David Wall suggested integrating parking compliance and parking enforcement to use as a tool for the protection of the creeks.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Sam Liccardo adjourned the meeting at 2:38 p.m.

Council Member/Sam Liccardo, Chair

Transportation and Environment Committee

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